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SUBJECT: GUIDANCE FOR SPRING 78 CNAD

IN ADDITION TO GUIDANCE ON AGENDA ITEMS OUTLINED BELOW, YOU SHOULD TAKE POSITIONS WITHIN GENERAL POLICY GUIDELINES, AS REQUIRED, BASED ON DISCUSSION AT MEETING, AND AS APPROPRIATE AFTER CONSULTATION WITH DELEGATION.

I. INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT: NOTE THE STATEMENT. IF THE BELGIAN NAD SEEKS TO STRIKE ITEMS FROM THE AGENDA ON THE BASIS THAT HE HAS NOT HAD SUFFICIENT TIME TO REVIEW THE DOCUMENTS (ESPECIALLY ITEM IX) URGE THAT ITEMS BE KEPT ON AGENDA AND SUGGEST, IF APPROPRIATE,
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THE BELGIAN NAD RESERVE HIS POSITION UNTIL HE HAS HAD SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY THE DOCUMENTS.

II. EURONADS: STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EURONADS: NOTE THE STATEMENT.

III. IEPG: INFORMATION ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INDE-

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PENDENT EUROPEAN PROGRAMME GROUP (IEPG): NOTE THE REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE IEPG.

IV. MAIN GROUPS AND NIAG:

(A) ACTIVITIES OF THE MAIN GROUPS: NOTE THE REPORT. AFTER THE PRESENTATION ON THE NAFAG, US NAD SHOULD PRESENT THE PLANNED INTERVENTION ON STAGE B CROSS SERVICING.

(B) ANTI-ARMOR: REPORT BY NAAG ON ANTI-ARMOR: US REP SHOULD FULLY SUPPORT THE AD HOC ANTI-ARMOR GROUP REPORT.

(C) TACTICAL AREA COMMUNICATIONS. REPORT TO THE NAC/DPC ON TACTICAL AREA COMMUNICATIONS: US REP SHOULD SUPPORT FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS: QUOTE

(A) THE COUNCIL IN MINISTERIAL SESSION BE ADVISED OF THE TWO STRATEGIES WHICH NATIONS COULD ADOPT TO ACCELERATE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF INTEROPERABLE AND OPERATIONALLY FLEXIBLE TACTICAL AREA COMMUNICATIONS AND BE INVITED TO GIVE DIRECTION ON THE STRATEGY TO BE ADOPTED; AND

(B) THE DPC IN MINISTERIAL SESSION BE INVITED TO TAKE CONFIDENTIAL

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THE DIRECTION GIVEN BY THE COUNCIL IN MINISTERIAL SESSION INTO ACCOUNT IN ITS CONSIDERATION OF THE TACTICAL TRUNK NETWORK PROGRAMME INCLUDED IN THE REPORT ON THE LONG-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAMME. UNQUOTE.

YOU SHOULD ALSO EXPRESS PREFERENCE FOR STRATEGY ONE, AND SEEK AGREEMENT FROM THE NATIONS THAT IF STRATEGY TWO IS APPROVED THE NATIONS WILL MAKE THOSE CHOICES THAT WILL GIVE THE ALLIANCE GREATER AND EARLIER INTEROPERABILITY.

(D) NAVSTAR: NATO PARTICIPATION IN THE NAVSTAR GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEM PROGRAMME: US REP SHOULD READ PREPARED STATEMENT ON NAVSTAR AND SIGN THE PROPOSED MOU.

FYI: IF NATIONS OTHER THAN BELGIUM, CANADA, DENMARK, FRANCE, FRG, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, AND UK INDICATE A DESIRE TO SIGN THE MOU (E.G., PORTUGAL) WE WILL NEED TO DETERMINE THE IMPACT ON THE MOU AND SECURITY MEASURES BEFORE THEY CAN SIGN. END FYI.

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(E) AEWTF: MULTIPLE GROUND SITES SYSTEM FOR AN AEW TF IN CENTRAL EUROPE: US REP SHOULD ANNOUNCE WE EXPECT

TO BE READY TO SIGN MOU BY 1 JULY 78 AND SHOULD ENCOURAGE FRANCE AND FRG TO SUPPORT A SIMILAR SCHEDULE.

V. OTHER ACTIVITIES RELATED TO STANDARDIZATION/INTER-OPERABILITY:

A. ORAL PROGRESS REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN ON A NATO AEW PROGRAMME: US REP SHOULD EMPHASIZE THE NEED TO MOVE AHEAD ON THE PROGRAM NOW, EXPLAINING COSTS AND IMPACT OF SIGNIFICANT DELAY.

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B. FUTURE SAM SYSTEMS: US REP SHOULD ACCEPT FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PROJECT GROUP AND THE STUDY GROUP INTERIM REPORT. SUPPORT UK AND FRENCH PARTICIPATION IN PATRIOT MOU ACTIVITIES AS OBSERVERS. ANNOUNCE THAT US IS PREPARED TO SIGN MOU AND PARTICIPATE IN THE GROUP AND ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO DO LIKEWISE (FRG, DENMARK, NETHERLANDS, NORWAY, AND BELGIUM.)

C. AVIATION FUEL INTEROPERABILITY: US REP SHOULD SUPPORT EXCELLENT WORK OF GROUP AND GIVE STATUS OF US TESTS.

D. NATO GUIDELINES ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY: US REP SHOULD APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS IN PARA 8 OF AC/259 - D/627 AND URGE OTHER NATIONS TO SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GUIDELINES AT MINISTERIAL MEETING.

VI. TRANSATLANTIC DIALOG: US REP SHOULD PRESENT OUR VIEWS ON OBJECTIVES OF TAD TO INCREASE NATO MILITARY EFFECTIVENESS. WE SHOULD POINT OUT THAT WE SEE AD HOC GROUPS 2 AND 3 AS A MEANS OF ADDRESSING PRAGMATIC AND OFTEN PROGRAM-RELATED PROBLEMS AT A SUFFICIENTLY HIGH POLICY LEVEL TO ADDRESS SPECIFIC SOLUTIONS PROPOSED BY THE PARTICIPANTS. DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WILL FOLLOW ON 27 APRIL AT DEPUTY NAD LEVEL.

VII. NATO LONG-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAMME: US REP SHOULD NOTE PROGRESS REPORT BY CHAIRMAN, URGE CNAD TO GIVE HIGH PRIORITY TO TASKS WHICH WILL BE ASSIGNED TO IT AND PLEDGE US SUPPORT.

VIII. MEETING OF PRINCIPALS: NO TOPICS HAVE BEEN

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PREANNOUNCED. US REP IS LEFT TO HIS OWN DISCRETION. SUBSTANCE OF DISCUSSION SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN REPORTING TELEGRAM.

IX. LONG-TERM ARMAMENTS PLANNING:

A. NAPR: US REP SHOULD PRESS TO GET NAPR PROBLEMS RE-SOLVED AND BACK ON A DO-ABLE SCHEDULE AS NEAR TO THE ORIGINAL SCHEDULE AS IS REASONABLY POSSIBLE. RESERVE PROPOSED SOLUTION TO MEETING OF PRINCIPALS (AGENDA ITEM 8). FYI. PROPOSED SOLUTION HAS BEEN AGREED TO BY WALSH AND LEGERE. END FYI. VOICE STRONG SUPPORT FOR NAPR.

B. PAPS FOLLOW-ON: US REP SHOULD SUPPORT GUIDANCE AGREED TO AT THE 12, 13 APR FOUR-POWER MEETING. THIS GUIDANCE IS CONSISTENT WITH CURRENT THRUST OF PAPS STUDY GROUP.

X. MANAGEMENT REVIEW:

A. REVIEW OF AC/258: YOU SHOULD NOTE THE REPORT OF THE AC/258 GROUP AND INDICATE CONTINUED U.S. SUPPORT FOR THE WORK OF THE GROUP. IF THE SUBJECT IS TABLED, YOU SHOULD SUPPORT TRANSFER OF THIS CADRE GROUP TO THE COGNIZANCE OF THE SENIOR NATO LOGISTI-CIANS CONFERENCE (SNLC) (CIVIL SESSION).

B. MECHANISM FOR THE RATIONALIZATION OF TEST AND SAFETY CRITERIA FOR EXPLOSIVE STORES: US REP SHOULD SUPPORT UK PROPOSAL. EITHER OF FOLLOWING TWO OPTIONS WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE: (A) AS A SEPARATE BODY WITH NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE (WHICH IS PREFERABLE, SINCE EXISTING AC/258 MAY SOON BE MOVED UNDER THE SENIOR NATO LOGISTICIAN CONFERENCE (SNLC)) OR (2) AS A SUB-GROUP UNDER AC/258. IN THAT CASE, THE NEW CONFIDENTIAL

GROUP SHOULD BE SEPARATED AND REMAINS UNDER CNAD.

XI. APPROVAL OF THE DECISIONS: YOU SHOULD PARTICIPATE AS APPROPRIATE.

XII. REPORT TO THE COUNCIL. YOU SHOULD APPROVE THE REPORT.

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XIII. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS. YOU SHOULD STATE THAT IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FOR CNAD AND NJCEC DURING THE SAME WEEK, AND ASK THAT THESE MEETINGS BE SCHEDULED ACCORDINGLY.

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